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SUBJECT: VETTING FOR SOVEREIGN CHALLENGE CONFERENCE -
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[1](#)1. (U) This cable is an additional response to request in reftel. Embassy Zagreb was asked to vet an additional individual from Croatia, Zeljko Cepanec, for the Sovereign Challenge Conference.

[1](#)2. Embassy Zagreb has vetted the proposed name and has found no evidence of "gross violations of human rights" as per Leahy Amendment vetting requirements that would disqualify the candidate from attending the 4th Annual Sovereign Challenge Conference 17-20 November 2008.

[1](#)3. (U) Embassy Zagreb verifies that as of November 3, 2008 Zeljko Cepanec cleared human rights vetting with effective date of November 3, 2008. Based on the "good for one year" vetting policy, this individual is now cleared for participation in U.S. sponsored training until November 3, [1](#)2009.
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